

## UCML Executive

Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2023

### Honorary Secretary report

#### 1. Elections to UCML Exec

We welcome Ashley Harris to the exec as the new Early Career Academics Representative. Huge thanks to Liam Lewis, now our Project Coordinator, for the wonderful work he did while representing the SIG. We also welcome Christine Schallmoser, co-chair of the AULC and UCML Special Interest Group.

We will be advertising a few roles that are becoming available in July: Vice-Chair Education (Vicky Wright), ELT Representative (Alexander Ding), Translation and Interpretation Representative (Begoña Rodríguez de Céspedes), and Italian Studies Representative (Gigliola Sulis).

#### 2. Small Grants

The panel reviewed applications from Round 1 last November, and the following projects were awarded grants: *Language education in the (post-)digital era – lessons learnt from the pandemic*, *Teaching Medieval French: Sustainable Approaches for the Next Generation*, *the Widening Participation Languages Network*, and *Postcapitalist Translocations: Mark Fisher in Latin America*. Applications from the second (and final) round for this year will be reviewed this afternoon.

#### 3. “Where Are We Now? The Location of Modern Languages and Cultures” Durham conference

UCML had a strong presence at the conference organised by the School of Modern Languages and Cultures at Durham University. As part of the organising committee for the conference, I made sure to represent my academic Department and UCML, organising and chairing sessions that would be relevant to our interests, while also promoting the work that we do as a committee and through our SIGs.

#### 4. UCML Summer Plenary 2023

Work is under way to organise our next AGM and Plenary, which will take place on 14th July at the ILCS. We are very grateful to Charles Burdett for allowing us to use rooms at Senate House completely free of charge. The Summer plenary will be an in-person event and we will soon be sending invitations to members.

Summer Plenary: 14th July 2023

Executive Committee 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023 and 24<sup>th</sup> May

Marcela Cazzoli, 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2023